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PATENT APPLICATION  
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Attorney Docket No. H9876.0059/P059

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **37**]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
- Descriptive title of the invention  
- Cross Reference to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to sequence listing, a table,  
or a computer program listing appendix  
- Background of the Invention  
- Brief Summary of the Invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
- Claim(s)  
- Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **15**]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages **5**]  
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(for continuation/division with Box 17 completed)  
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inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)
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(if applicable, all necessary)  
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b. Specification Sequence Listing on:  
i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or ii. ☐ paper  
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS**

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement [ ] Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure [X] Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
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16. ☐ Other:

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